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NORTH PACIFIC DIVISION, CORPS OF ENGINEERS P.O. BOX 2870 PORTLAND, OREGON 97208-2870

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

CENPD-PM-MP (200-1a)

0 9 MAY 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR

/ Commander, Seattle District

Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Huntsville Division, ATTN: CEHND-PM-E, P.O. Box 1600, Huntsville, AL 35807-4301

SUBJECT: Defense Environmental Restoration Program for Formerly-Used Defense Sites (DERP-FUDS); Inventory Project Report (INPR), for Site F10WA024100, Alaska Communications System (Seattle), King County, Washington

- 1. This memorandum approves the no further action (NOFA) recommendation for subject site.
- 2. I request that:
- a. CENPS, within 60 days of the date of this memorandum, notify the landowner(s) of the decision and provide copies of the notification letter(s) to CEMP-RF, CEHND-ED-PM, and this office.
 - b. CEHND file this INPR and update the inventory database.
- 3. CENPD-PM-MP POC for this matter is Mr. Moon-Yong Han, FTS 423-7361, com (503) 326-7361.

Encl

ERNEST J. MARRELL Major General, USA Commanding

CF w/encl: CEMP-RF



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SEATTLE DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS P.O. BOX -3755

SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98124-2255

APR 3 1991

CENPS-EN-GT-HW (200-1a)

MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, U.S. Army Engineer Division, North Pacific, ATTN: CENPD-PM-MP, P.O. BOX 2870, Portland, Oregon 97208-2870

SUBJECT: Defense Environmental Restoration Program for Formerly Used Defense Sites (DERP-FUDS) Inventory Project Report (INPR) for Site No. F10WA024100, Alaska Communications System (Seattle) King County, Washington.

- 1. The enclosed INPR presents the DERP-FUDS Preliminary Assessment (PA) for the former Alaska Communications System (Seattle). A site visit was conducted on 16 November 1990. The site survey summary sheet and site map are included in the INPR.
- 2. We have determined that the site was formerly used by the Army. A recommended Findings and Determination of Eligibility (FDE) is included in the INPR.
- 3. Also, we have determined that there is no potential for hazardous waste at the site which would be eligible for cleanup under DERP-FUDS, and that no further investigation at the site is warranted.

4. We recommend:

- a. No further action (NOFA) be taken on this site.
- b. Approval and signing the Findings and Determination of Eligibility (FDE).
 - c. Forwarding a copy of this INPR to CEHND for the PA file.

Encl as MILTON HUNTER

Colonel, Corps of Engineers

Commanding

SITE SURVEY SUMMARY SHEET FOR

DERP-FUDS SITE NO. F10WA024100 ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM (SEATTLE) KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON DECEMBER 1990

SITE NAME: Alaska Communications System (Seattle), now the University of Washington's West Seattle Laboratory.

LOCATION: The site is located at the corner of 21st Avenue SW and SW Genesee Street in the city of Seattle, King County, Washington (see attached map).

SITE HISTORY: The site, totalling 49.35 acres (44.38 fee and 4.97 leased), was acquired through condemnation by the DOD between 1942 and 1945 for use by the Army Signal Corps as part of the Alaska Communications System. Two antennae were constructed, as well as an underground transmitter building and several tuning huts. Records are unclear as to whether a house, duplex, and garage were on the site at the time of acquisition or were constructed by the Army. The lease was terminated in 1945, however the balance of the property was not declared excess until 1958. During that year, the fee land was conveyed to the University of Washington by quitclaim deed. The site was used until the early 1980's for electrical and animal experiments. The University evidently made use of all military structures remaining on the property and made additional improvements including the installation of underground oil tanks to fuel heating equipment to service structures used by students and faculty. Currently, a caretaker lives in the house and the duplex is used for storage. The remainder of the site and structures on it are unused.

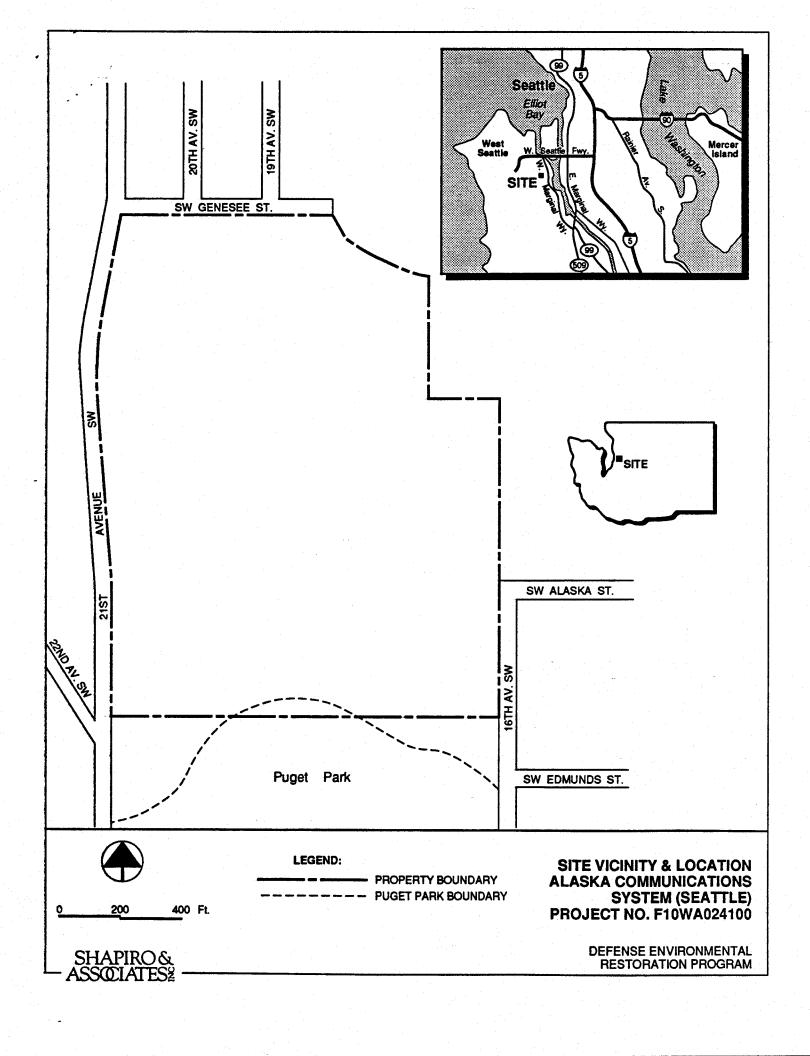
SITE VISIT: On 16 November 1990 Kristen Nielsen of Shapiro and Associates, Inc., under contract to the Seattle District Army Corps of Engineers, conducted a site visit. John McNamara, the site's caretaker, acted as guide. Access to the site is via SW. Genesee Street and 19th Avenue SW. through a locked gate (The site is entirely fenced). All the structures described in the real estate records remain on the site and appear to be in good condition. In addition, there are several small outbuildings which were constructed by the University. The origin of a small trailer on the site is unknown.

CATEGORY OF HAZARD: None.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: No project is proposed.

AVAILABLE STUDIES AND REPORTS: None.

SEATTLE DISTRICT POC: Jonathan A. Maas, CENPS-EN-GT-HW, (206) 764-6745.



DEFENSE ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION PROGRAM FORMERLY USED DEFENSE SITES FINDINGS AND DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY

ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM (SEATTLE) KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

SITE NO. F10WA024100

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The site is located in Section 13 and 14 of Township 24 North, Range 3 East, Willamette Meridian in Seattle, King County, Washington. A total of 49.35 acres (44.38 fee and 4.97 leased), were acquired through condemnation by the DOD between 1942 and 1945.
- 2. The Alaska Communications System (Seattle) site was used by the Army Signal Corps as a transmitting station serving the Territory of Alaska. Radio antennae were constructed on the site as well as tuning huts and an underground transmitter building.
- 3. The lease (4.97 acres) was terminated on 30 June 1945, however the balance of the property was not declared excess until 4 April 1958. The fee land (44.38 acres) was conveyed by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare to the University of Washington by quitclaim deed dated 9 September 1958.

DETERMINATION

Based on the foregoing finding of fact, this site has been determined to be formerly used by the Department of Defense. It is therefore eligible for the Defense Environmental Restoration Program - Formerly Used Defense Sites, established under 10 USC 2701 et seq.

1 May 91
DATE

ERNEST J. HARRELL \
Major General, USA
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